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**North Dakota State Board of Higher Education
Research and Governance Committee
September 22, 2021, Meeting Minutes**

The State Board of Higher Education Research and Governance Committee met on Wednesday, September 22, 2021, at 3:15 p.m. CT, via teams and/or conference call.

Co-chairs Ryan and Bye called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m. CT.

1. **Agenda**

Warford moved, Bye seconded, to approve the agenda.

Warford, Bye, and Ryan voted yes.

2. **Minutes**

Bye moved, Warford seconded, to approve the June 16, 2021, and special July 21, 2021, meeting minutes.

Warford, Bye, and Ryan voted yes.

RESEARCH PORTION

3. **North Dakota State College of Science Campus Research Presentation**

Mr. Craig Zimprich presented North Dakota State College of Science Campus [Research](#).

4. **Wine Association of North Dakota(WAND)**

Member Warford gave a brief background of the [Wine Association of North Dakota](#) group, the initial funding from State Legislation (2009), and North Dakota State University grape/wine research initiatives. The committee discussed prioritization of research initiatives, partnerships, funding, and regaining momentum in various research initiatives, regardless of prioritization. They noted all research in the state has the potential of significantly growing/expanding independently and/or through partnerships. Dr. Warford will continue to be the lead on the wine industry/research initiative.

GOVERNANCE PORTION

5. **SBHE Strategic Plan updates**

Mr. Jerry Rostad reviewed the proposed [SBHE Strategic Plan updates](#).

Ryan moved, Warford seconded, to recommend approval of SBHE Strategic Plan updates, as presented.

Ryan, Warford, and Bye voted yes.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m. CT.

Approved October 22, 2021.